

# St. Ignatius Catholic Church

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## **Mass Times**

Saturday Vigil at 5:00 PM Sunday at 8:00 AM Sunday at 10:30 AM Sunday at 7:30 PM

Weekdays (M-F) at 8:00 AM At LJC—**La Storta Chapel** 

# Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays -3:30 PM to 4:30 PM

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October 8, 2023

#### A Message from the Pastor

St. Columba was an Irish monk who was probably born in Donegal. He left Ireland, at the age of 42, and founded a monastery off the coast of southwest Scotland called Iona. From that island and Lindisfarne (another island on the southeast coast of Scotland), the Irish monks brought the Christian faith to Scotland and northern England.

There is a famous story about Columba that may be the first copyright case on record. There were no printing presses in the 6<sup>th</sup> century. The monasteries would copy manuscripts by hand. Columba was so anxious to have a copy of Finnian's Psalter that he shut himself up at night in the church that contained it and secretly transcribed it by hand. A monk, who watched him through a keyhole, reported this to his superior. Bibles and prayer books were very scarce in Columba's day. Abbot Finnian claimed the copy and refused to let it leave the monastery. Columba refused to surrender it until he was obliged to do so under protest. King Diarmaid had to decide the case and his ruling was this—"To every cow its calf," meaning to every book its copy.

Martin Luther once said that "sometimes you have to squeeze a biblical passage until it leaks the gospel." While this weekend's gospel parable is challenging, it is not a biblical jawbreaker! Jesuit New Testament scholar, John Donahue, believes that the gospel parable is a *midrash* or interpretation of the

parable of the vineyard that we find in Isaiah. Donahue goes on to note that this parable expresses what Abraham Joshua Heschel has called "divine pathos," which is the great paradox of biblical faith—a longing God's pursuit of humanity.



27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

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#### Pastor's Message continued from page one:

It is God who plants the vineyard. It is God who protects the vineyard. It is God who nourishes and carefully tends the vineyard. It is God who expects and looks for a harvest from this vineyard after all that God has lovingly poured into it. Perhaps we catch some of this biblical pathos in the *Prayer of the Vineyard* by Steve Garnaas-Holmes.

God, I confess that I have seized the vineyard of my soul, as if it were mine, as if I were the one who had dug and planted, and built a fence and a watchtower. But my soul is not "mine," it is yours. You create me, and give me growth. You are the one who creates the fertile soil of my being, who plants within me the seed of your Spirit. You grow within me. The fruit of my soul is yours, not mine.

But because you seem distant, and your absence is painful, and because I want to control my life, I have usurped what is truly yours. I have laid claim to your vineyard, and done violence to your trust in me. This is my unending struggle, to let go of my own soul, to let it be truly yours, to overcome my illusion that it ought to be mine, and that I can wrest it from you and have it for myself.

Forgive me, and instill in me a desire to bear fruit for you rather than to control

my life. Heal my fear of your absence, my desire for control. Give me faith to meet my fear and grasping with courage and trust. May I be a faithful worker in

the vineyard of my own soul, nurturing and gathering what you give, Offering to you and not hoarding for myself the fruits of my heart.



Since we believe we are made in God's image ("To every cow its calf"), and since we are all created and planted lovingly and carefully, God grant us all a good and bountiful harvest.

Fr. Mike





"The Word of God" Bible Study Tuesdays through October 24, we will explore with Clifford Yeary the richness of the biblical claims for the power of the word to bring us into communion with God: the Spoken Word; the Written Word; the Gospel; and the Eternal Word. Choose either morning or evening sessions. Come for all four sessions or for any one you are able. All sessions in the parish office dining room. Morning sessions will be from 10:30AM–12:00PM. Evening sessions will take place from 7:00–8:30PM.

#### Mass Readings

Mass Readings for Oct 8, 2023 Isaiah 5:1-7 Philippians 4:6-9 Matthew 21:33-43 Mass Readings for Oct 15, 2023 Isaiah 25:6-10a Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20 Matthew 22:1-14



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We honored our patroness Mother Marie Rose at a school Mass led by our Kindergarten and 7th grade students. Fr. San Mai blessed our pets, represented by photos and stuffed animals, for St. Francis of Assisi's Feast Day last week.

ing about the first Native Americans and how they used natural resources. The seventh





graders are studying about types of government.

We are learning and growing by leaps and bounds as we head into the fall season. Our preschoolers are busy developing their motor skills through painting fall creations. The kindergartners are studying shapes and making their own shape creatures. The first graders are writing their weekend updates. Our second graders have begun writing letters to some of our parishioners. The third graders are learning about various

types of communities. Our 4<sup>th</sup> graders gave a wonderful recorder performance for the kindergartners. The fifth graders are learn-





The preschoolers often play near the parish offices, and they love talking with Fr. San as he visits with them.

There's still time to volunteer to assist with the Children's Llturgy of the Word at the Sunday 10:30 AM Masses. The materials for teaching the Gospel to the children during the twenty minute homily at the Mass are fully prepared for the volunteers. Please email <u>Sarah Cunningham</u> if you are able to assist in this ministry.

Students in 5th-8th grade interested in being *altar servers* this year may reach out to Karen Ortiz, one of our parents, at <u>ajkaortiz@yahoo.com</u>. Karen will be coordinating the training and scheduling. There will be two altar server training for the 5th to 8th graders at the church with Father San Mai. Reach out to Karen at <u>ajkaor-tiz@yahoo.com</u> to sign up for a training session on either October 8th, Sunday - 11:40 (after the 10:30 mass) or October 9th, Monday - 3:15 (after school).

In gratitude, for our amazing community of students and parents. "May the LORD reward what you have done! May you receive a full reward from the LORD, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come for refuge." Ruth 2:12

Peace be with you. Carol Pausz Principal



**Creation Care Team** Saint Francis, faithful to the Scripture, invites us to see nature as a magnificent book in which God speaks to us and grants us a glimpse of His infinite beauty and goodness. "Through the greatness and the beauty of creation one comes to know by analogy their maker.". page 13 Ludato Si encyclical letter On Care for Our Common Home. St. Francis saw creation as brothers and sisters: family members. How can we focus more on the beauty of creation, not taking the beauty and love in creation for granted ? Is this a way in which we can praise God? How can this attitude keep us focused on sustainability of God's creation like it did St. Francis?

Volunteers are welcome.....The St. Ignatius Renaissance Festival needs volunteers! Please follow this link to sign up to help us set up, work the event, clean up, and more! Looking forward to an amazing festival on Sunday, October 15 from 9am to 3pm. <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050C4CAEA82DA2F49-renaissance#/</u>



### IGNITE.... Next class, Tonight! Oct 8, 2023

More information online at: <u>https://www.sipdx.org/ignite</u> Dates: Oct 8, Oct 22, Nov 12, Nov 26, Dec 10th 6:00PM—7:15PM on Zoom or in person at the parish office.

Altar server Training for all those in 5th grade and up that would like to be trained or just refresh their knowledge. Join in one of the training sessions, October 8th after 10:30am mass or October 9th at 3:30PM.

November Memorial Mass Nov. 4th at 5pm Have you lost a loved one this past year? You are invited to bring a picture of loved ones you want our

community to remember in their prayers as we approach All Souls Day. Please be sure to put your **name** on each item and bring them over the weekend Masses– Oct 28th & 29th. We will have a basket for them and then place them for viewing for the Memorial Mass on **Saturday**, **November 4th at 5PM.** 

• In November, we remember.... Make a donation in honor of your deceased loved one, whose name will be displayed in the church alcoves during the month of November. Envelopes can be found at the doors.



Please welcome Deacon Mac Chester and his family to St. Ignatius Parish! Mac and his wife Debbie moved from Boise Idaho to Hillsboro in 2021 along with their youngest daughter Marah, who's an 8th grader at Holy Trinity School. They have two additional children, Bri and Alex, who still live in Idaho. Mac and Debbie have been married since 2005. Mac has been a permanent deacon since 2013 and has served alongside the Jesuits at the Catholic student center on the campus of Boise State University. They love the beauty of Oregon, especially the Coast. Mac

works full-time for Intel as an engineer. In the coming months, Mac will concelebrate at our weekend liturgies, administer the Sacraments, and help lead a young adult ministry. We are grateful and excited to have him join our ministry team. Please introduce yourself to Mac, Debbie, and Marah.

Planned Giving For several decades, St. Ignatius has been here in SE Portland serving



people in faith, educating the young with hope, and engaging the world with the love of the Christ and the Good News of the Gospel in the Jesuit tradition. Please prayerfully consider including the parish in your estate plans to help us sustain this mission for future generations. If you are interested in learning more about planned giving options at St. Ignatius Parish, please see the "Ways to Give" page on our website or contact Fr. Mike.

# Church tithing Financial report (July 1, 2023—June 30, 2024) 2024) 2023-2024 Budget \$560,000.00

Sunday Tithe received through 9-10-2023 \$89,090.30 Thank you, for also supporting other funds like our Campus renewal/Bldg., St. Vincent de Paul, School, Novena and more!

### 8:00AM Weekday Mass Intentions

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#### Please keep in your prayers

Monday	Oct 9
Tuesday	Oct 10
Wednesday	Oct 11
Thursday	Oct 12
Friday	Oct 13

Millie Emig Kinh Nguyen Sandy & Frank Kalinowski Sheila Kleinheinz Souls in Purgatory



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